Amendment to the Claims

Please amend claim 11 and 23 as follows:

11. (currently amended) A process for the partial demetallization of a first multilayer <u>laminate</u>

substrate comprising a coextruded film comprising a first film and a second film wherein the first film

comprises a first polymeric layer and a metallic layer and the second film comprises a second

polymeric layer and an adhesive layer a polypropylene layer, an adhesive layer and a metallic layer,

the process comprising applying an etchant lacquer to the metallic layer of the first polymeric film,

applying an adhesive layer to the second polymeric film, and joining the first film and the second film

wherein the adhesive layer of the second film contacts the partially demetallized layer of the first film.

wherein the lamination step is in-line with the demetallization step, wherein the etchant lacquer

comprises comprising at least one metal dissolving etchant on the metallic layer in a quantity of

about the stoechiometrical stoichiometrical amount needed to dissolve the metallic layer and to

eliminate any chemical reactivity of the at least one etchant towards the adhesive layer, wherein the

dissolved metal remains within the multilayer laminate substrate, and the dissolution of the metal

creates a substantially transparent window in the metallic layer in a washing-free step.

12. (Previously Presented) The process of claim 11, wherein the process is carried out on

standard gravure or flexo printing presses or coating equipment.

13. (cancelled)

14. (Currently Amended) The process of claim 11, further comprising a coating operation

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for treating the first multilayer substrate film.

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Chicago, Illinois 60606 312 913-0001 15. (Currently Amended) The process of claim 11, further comprising a printing operation

for treating the first multilayer substrate film.

16. (Currently Amended) The process of claim 11, further comprising a coating operation

and a printing operation for treating the first multilayer substrate film.

17. (Currently Amended) The process of claim 14, wherein the coating operation

comprising a coating in register with the demetallized area on a surface of the substrate first

polymeric layer that is different than where the demetallization is carried out.

18. (Currently Amended) The process of claim 15, wherein the printing operation

comprises a patterned print in register with the demetallized area on a surface of the

substrate first polymeric layer that is different than where the demetallization is carried out.

19. (Previously Presented) The process of claim 12, wherein the amount the etchant lacquer is

fine-tuned by choosing a suitable gravure cylinder depth.

20. (Previously Presented) The process of claim 11, wherein the amount the etchant lacquer is

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fine-tuned by adapting the concentration of the at least one etchant.

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21. (Previously Presented) The process of claim 12, wherein the amount of the etchant lacquer is

fine-tuned by choosing a suitable gravure cylinder depth and by adapting the concentration of the at

least one etchant.

22. (Previously Presented) The process of claim 11, wherein the demetallization step achieves a

light transmission of at least 90% within the demetallized area.

23. (Currently Amended) The process of claim 11, wherein the concentration of the at least one

etchant corresponds to a slight excess of the stoechiometrical stoichiometrical amount needed to

dissolve the amount of metal present on the multilayer substrate laminate.

24. (Currently Amended) A multilayer substrate laminate obtainable by the process of claim 11,

comprising a window in a supported metallic layer wherein the window has the total quantity of a

residue resulting from the demetallization by means of the etchant lacquer.

25. (New) The process of claim 11 wherein the first polymeric layer is biaxially oriented

polypropylene.

26. (New) The process of claim 11 wherein the second polymeric layer is biaxially oriented

polypropylene.

27. (New) The process according to claim 11 wherein the first polymeric layer is biaxially

oriented polypropylene and the second polymeric layer is biaxially oriented polypropylene.

28. (New) The process according to claim 11 wherein the metallic layer is aluminum.

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29	(New) The process according to claim 27 wherein the metallic layer is aluminum.